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STATEMENT ACCOMPANYING ISSUE FEE

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Dear Sir:

The issue fee is being filed herewith in the above-captioned case. Originally, claims 1-16 were allowed. In accordance with the statements in the restriction requirement of September 27, 2003, claims 29-40 are allowable. The undersigned has spoken with the Examiner in this case and it is believed that a supplemental notice of allowance will be issued for claims 29-40. As of this date, Applicants have not received the supplemental notice of allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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